

**APRIL 2005**  
**ADAR II 5765**

### SHABBAT SERVICES

**Friday 1 @, 6 pm**  
*6th & 7th class participation*

**Friday 8 @ 7:30 pm**  
*Tot Shabbat @ 6 pm*

**Saturday 9 @ 10 am**  
*Torah Study @ 10 am*  
*Musical Mitzvah @ 11 am*

**Friday 15 @ 6 pm**

**Saturday 16 @ 10 am**  
*Bar Mitzvah of John Connuck*

**Friday 22 @ 7:30 pm**  
*Family Shabbat Services @ 6 pm*

**Friday 29 @ 6 pm**

**Saturday 30 @ 10 am**  
*Pesach and Yizkor*

### TEMPLE ACTIVITIES

**Gala Musicale**  
*Saturday 2 @ 7:30 pm*

**Chevrat Nashim**  
*Sundays 3, 10, 17 & 24 @ 10:30 am*

**Progressive Dinner**  
*Saturday 9*  
*Dinner at hosts' homes @ 6:15 pm*  
*Coffee & Dessert at EET @ 8:15 pm*

**Rosh Chodesh**  
*Sunday 10 @ 10:30 am*

**Adult Ed - The Sabbath**  
*Wednesdays, 13, 20 & 5/4*

**Congregational Dinner**  
*Friday 15 @ 7:30 pm*

**Family Ed - Passover**  
*Sunday 17 @ 2:30 pm*

**Book Club - The Outside World**  
**by Tova Mirvis**  
*Tuesday 26 @, 7:30 pm*

**Women's Seder**  
*Thursday 28 @ 6 pm*

### GALA MUSICALE AND RECEPTION

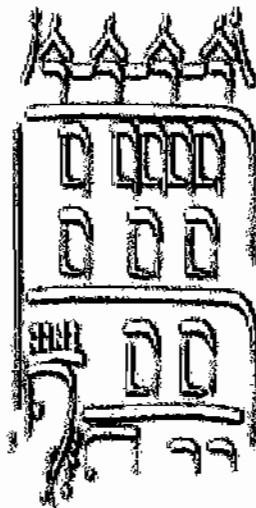
*Saturday 2 @ 7:30 pm*

### PROGRESSIVE DINNER, COFFEE AND DESSERT

*Saturday 9*

*Dinner @ hosts' homes @ 6:15 pm*

*Dessert @ East End Temple @ 8:15 pm*



# Templet

## THE KOSHER CONFLICT CONTINUES...

On January 30th, EET sponsored a program to hear author, Tova Mirvis discuss her book "The Outside World" and her life growing up in an Orthodox Jewish family in Tennessee. On the same Sunday, the New York Times Book Review, ran a long essay by writer Wendy Shalit sharply criticizing Ms. Mirvis and other Jewish writers for not being authentic enough and also purporting to be insiders on Orthodox life, even in fiction. Shalit used the pejorative word "contemptible" in her appraisal.

Then, Jewish Week picked up the argument and likened it to the "tzitzit test" that the seminary boys used to check each other out. Many letters to the Times followed from Tova Mirvis and fellow author Jonathan Rosen who felt Shalit was so preoccupied with separating the "Jewish outsiders" from the "Jewish insiders" that she lost the ability to appreciate creative imagination in fiction.

More. On the March 2nd Leonard Lopate show on public radio, Pearl Abraham, a noted Jewish writer and author of the new book "The Seventh Beggar", expressed outrage at the Wendy Shalit position that she (Shalit) could be the arbiter of who was qualified to write on Jewish Orthodoxy.

It's a stimulating and engrossing controversy. Let's hope the fallout is that it sells a lot of books on Jewish life. We're proud that East End Temple was in the vanguard of this intellectual fray.

*Florence Peloquin*

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Karen Feuer, President



SEE BACK CALENDAR FOR ALL CLOSINGS

Dear Friends,

Last week, Lynn and I saw the excellent and very powerful *Hotel Rwanda*, which highlights both the height of human courage and the depth of human atrocity. At one moment in the film, an American reporter tells the film's Rwandan protagonist that yes, people in the West will see news of the genocide on television—but no, they won't be spurred to action; instead, they'll say, "How awful!" and go back to eating their dinners.



As I sat in the theater, I felt ashamed because back when that news surfaced, I, too, had said, "How awful!" and had done nothing. I also knew that as deeply riveted as I was to the movie, I would soon walk back out into my life—and that by the next day I would leave behind my feelings of shock and pain, if only so that that I would be able to carry on normal life.

We cannot live in constant awareness of all of the horror that goes on in the world. However, we must let ourselves be aware of it sometimes. Moreover, we must, sometimes, allow our horror to move us to action. Many of us are aware of the atrocities being committed daily in Darfur, in Western Sudan. I am writing today to encourage us to act in response to this horror.

**Darfur**

In January 2005, the United Nations Commission of Inquiry stated that the government of Sudan and the Janjaweed militias they support are responsible for "the killing of civilians, torture, enforced disappearances, destruction of villages, rape and other forms of sexual violence, pillaging and forced displacement throughout Darfur." Since February of 2003, over 300,000 people have been killed by the violence and ensuing starvation and disease. About 2 million people have been displaced. Elie Wiesel, the Jewish community's living voice of conscience has called Darfur "today's world capital of human pain, suffering and agony." He continues: "Not to assist Sudan's victims today would for

me be unworthy of what I have learned from my teachers, my ancestors and my friends, namely that God alone is alone: His creatures must not be."

**Our Obligation**

We, as Jews, are commanded to feed the hungry, heal the sick, clothe the naked and make peace where there is strife. We can fulfill all of these *mitzvot* by supporting relief efforts. And the greatest way we can honor the memory of our own victimhood in the Holocaust is by acting to prevent others from suffering what we have. The United States has labeled what is happening in Darfur as genocide. The situation there will not change until the United States and other nations of the world end it through serious sanctions and even intervention.

**What We Can Do**

There are at least three types of actions we can take: One is to support relief efforts. American Jewish World Service ([ajws.org](http://ajws.org)), which has been involved in Darfur since early on, is a good place to make a contribution. Another is to lobby our senators, representatives, and the Secretary of State (it's easy to email them directly from AJWS's website) to both support relief and act to end the violence. (Just weeks ago, public pressure tipped the House Appropriations committee to a 32-31 vote to restore \$150 million in food aid to Sudan refugees.) The third is to spread the word among our friends. As we all know, it requires a real jolt to be shaken into action for the benefit of others far away. When we allow ourselves to be pushed into action, and when we encourage others to do so as well, we act as God's agents for change for the good in our world.

The upcoming story of Passover shows us that our suffering and the world's suffering, is not inevitable. When we take action, we enact the faith that change is possible.

I wish us all a sweet Passover. Next year in Jerusalem; next year, may we all be free.  
In hope,

<b>Torah Portions this month</b>			
4/02	Shemini	Lev.	9:1-11:47
4/09	Tazria	Lev.	12:1-13:59
4/16	Metzora	Lev.	14:1-15:33
4/23	Achare Mot	Lev.	16:1-18:30
4/30	(Passover and Yizkor) Exod. 14:30-15:21		

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## PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE Karen Feuer

Dear EET Friends:

For me there is no story quite like the one that the Haggadah tells about Passover. It's a story (like others) that includes a cast of heroes, heroines and bad guys, plenty of betrayal and intrigue and a well-earned righteous and euphoric ending embedded in a rather rambling tale. Perhaps it's the joyous recollections I have from my grandparents' apartment in the West Bronx; sitting around a table that I meticulously set and organized so that each of the people I loved best in the world were seated exactly where I wanted them to be or maybe it's just the lightheadedness I felt at ten years old after the third sip of Manishevitz grape (I didn't need the 4 cups of wine to ensure my own 4 stages of the exodus: freedom, deliverance, redemption, and release!) that move me. Whatever the source of my affinity, the Passover story and the Seder table symbolizes a struggle that is as current today as it was years ago. The foods on our Seder plate resonate with meaning - the Charoset, parsley, roasted eggs, shank bones and bitter herbs continue to embody the timeless commitments of hard work, adversity, sacrifice and the promise of a new season for Jews and others everywhere.

Let's remember the Passover story and in doing so consider opening the doors of our home this season and welcoming in those among us who may have nowhere to go and inviting them to celebrate the story of the exodus with us.

Best wishes for a happy Pesach season!

B'Shalom -

*Karen Feuer*

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## East End Temple Family Retreat

at Kutz Camp, Warwick, NY  
May 13th - 15th, 2005

Come and enjoy a communal Kabbalat Shabbat, zmirot (sing along), games, debates, Havdalah and much more.

(Details to come)



## CANTOR'S Hayley Kobilinsky

So many people to thank, so little time...

First, I want to thank everyone who attended my recital last month. It meant so much to me, and seeing your faces there made the day extra special. I hope you enjoyed the music and luncheon!

Next, I want to thank everyone involved in the Gala Musicales who is putting so much effort and time into this venture. Lest I forget to include a name, I'm not going to write a list here, but you know who you are! I especially want to thank the musicians who are giving so much of their time and talents to East End Temple.

As Pesach fast approaches, I want to call your attention to some of the music you will hear. Our vast Jewish musical heritage gives us an acute sense of the cycle of life, holidays, and seasons. When we hear certain melodies, we recall this time in years past, or we have a sense of foreshadowing of holidays to come. For many, a particular melody signals Shabbat or High Holidays, but few of us pick up on the special melodies for the Shalosh Regalim, the three festivals, because they come so far apart from one another. You will hear special themes, and not just the tune of "Mah Nishtana," throughout the holiday services. One particular theme is often heard at the end of a song and is similar to the minor chord heard sung during the High Holidays, frequently on the word, "Amen." This musical trivia is not just useful for playing "Name that Tune" with a cantor, but also gives us a sense of the Jewish holiday cycle, and so I encourage you to listen for it!

Finally, I want to wish much luck to this month's Bar Mitzvah student, John Connuck, and his family!

Musically Yours,

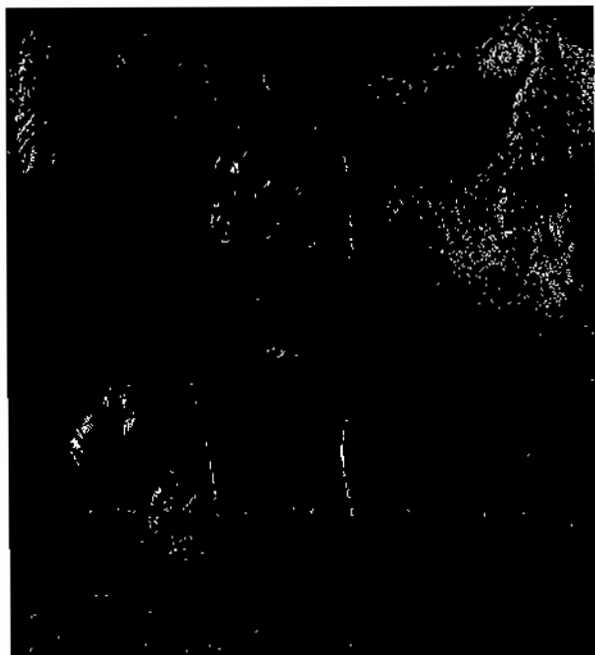
*Hayley Kobilinsky*

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**Downtown Kehillah's 2nd annual Yom Hashoah Commemoration Thursday, May 5, 7 pm at Town & Village Synagogue 334 East 14th Street. Featuring Concertino for Flute, Viola and Bass by Erwin Schulhoff who perished in the Holocaust. Performed by members of the NYC Opera Orchestra. Speaker: Samuel Marder, Musician, Poet, Author, Survivor. Choirs of Cong. Beth Simchat Torah and Town & Village Synagogue. Info: Harriet Schimel; 212.780.0800 x276, [kehillah@edalliance.org](mailto:kehillah@edalliance.org)**

### Our Famous Architect's Statue

Did you know that the architect of our building, Richard Morris Hunt (1827-1895), is honored with a monument on Fifth Avenue at 71st Street? Hunt, the famous Beaux-Arts architect who designed the façade of the Metropolitan Museum, the base of the Statue of Liberty and many mansions in Newport, R.I., was one of the founding members of the American Institute of Architects. The monument itself was designed by Daniel Chester French, whose most famous sculpture was, of course, the statue of Abraham Lincoln that is the centerpiece of the Lincoln Memorial.



### EET Spring Adult Education Course: **The Sabbath**

Join us for a discussion of the Abraham Joshua Heschel masterpiece, *The Sabbath*. This slender, poetic volume not only offers insight into Shabbat, but can be the basis for learning to lead a balanced, meaningful life. Let's study together and see how it may inspire us.

April 3, 20 and May 4, 6:30-7:30 pm.  
The course is free to all, members and non-members alike. Please register with the Temple office. Copies are available at the Temple, in bookstores and online.

### **SAVE THE DATE** for the **EET CONGREGATIONAL DINNER** on **FRIDAY, MAY 6 @ 7:30 PM**

Watch your emails for the RSVP form. For our members who do not have email, or for those for whom the Temple does not have email addresses – please watch your mail for a postcard.

Teen Yom Ha'atzmaut Festival  
Thursday, May 12, 6 --9 pm. Celebrate  
Israel's Independence Day with friends.  
Stay tuned. More info to come

## LAST CALL!

**East End Temple's 11th PROGRESSIVE DINNER**  
Dine at the home of an EET member with other EET members  
**Perfect event for new Temple members**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2005**

- 6:15pm - chicken-plus-wine dinner in a host's home
- 8:15pm - dessert in the EET Social Hall

**RSVP by 4/3/05**

I (we) will dine at the home of an EET member (@ \$40. person). YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
I (we) will bring dessert to the Temple. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Questions: call Marcia Muskat, Membership Chair @ 917-553-7374 or Sharon @ EET, 212-477-6444.  
**Return response** to: East End Temple, 245 East 17th Street, New York, NY 10003.

Shalom to all,

Spring is almost here and since this is a leap-Hebrew-year we will really feel spring at the time of Passover as it falls late in April.



As our school year progresses, I want to share with you some new and old things that happened in our Upper School (4th -7th grade). The **Sara A. Spencer Resource Education Center** is now well organized and up and running. The books are categorized to help teachers navigate and find the books they need. As we want this library to grow, I encourage you to donate children's books (used and in good condition) to this center.

### Education Center

Lately I started serving as the center's librarian, dispensing books to the children in the Upper School. The children read books that relate to the subject they learn here (subjects such as Israel, Jews in America, Jewish heroes) and discuss the books at the children's services. Their presentations enrich us and add beauty to those pleasant services.

Another subject that I practiced with the children at these services was to challenge them to "translate" the Hebrew dates from numbers to Hebrew letters (in accordance with the Jewish tradition). The children love the challenge, and along the way, are becoming familiar and aware of the Hebrew calendar.

In the Lower School (Pre K - 3rd grade) the children learn weekly from "wonderful-Hayley", Hebrew and Jewish songs, accompanied by her guitar. The children accompany her with a number of rattles and shakers. By now they all have a repertoire to be proud of.

### The EET Retreat

During April you will hear a great deal from us about the famous **East End Temple Retreat**. So far, East End Temple has had five successful retreats, and everyone says that the last one was the best, so I am encouraging you to ask around and plan to join us. (You can call the temple to receive phone numbers of alumni, if you wish to get firsthand recommendations) The retreat is a great community experience, for adults and children alike. Don't miss this opportunity!

**Important Date: Sunday, April 17th, 2:30 pm – Passover Family Program**

*Hagit*

Contact: [educator@eastendtemple.org](mailto:educator@eastendtemple.org)

Hello everyone –

Well, by the time you read this, our second youth group-run **Purim Carnival** will have already happened. My thanks to all the 7th graders, confirmation class students and youth group members who spent time planning, painting signs, setting up the room, running game booths and in general helping to make this event a success. As always, we are interested in any feedback on how we can improve things for next year's Carnival, so if you have any thoughts, please e-mail me.



We also participated in the second event hosted by the Downtown Kehillah, the group of lower Manhattan congregations who planned the highly successful **Battle of the Bands** around Hanukkah. Their latest event, a **Purim Masquerade Bash**, was held on Sat. March 26 at Arlene's Grocery, a very hip lower East side bar and featured live music, comedy and food.

We have several exciting events coming up in the next couple of months. First, we are planning a **CD Mix Night on Thursday, March 31 at 6:30 pm**. Everyone who comes will get a free CD! Each youth grouper will make a mix of his/her favorite songs, burn them to a CD and bring them to the temple. At the end of the night, we will do a grab bag and each person will take home one of the mixes.

### Sitcom Night Bash

**Thursday, April 14 at 6:30** will be our first ever **Sitcom Night**. People can bring in their favorite sitcoms on video or DVD and we will hang out in the lounge, eat dinner together and watch as many as we can! We are also planning our **2nd annual "creative pancake toppings" brunch** and a **Video Scavenger Hunt** for late April or early May. Details on these events to come.

Finally, it's time to start your spring cleaning projects for the **2nd annual Stoop Sale!** The stoop sale is tentatively planned for **Saturday, May 21**, so mark your calendars now. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. This year we are also hoping to have a **bake sale** in conjunction with the Stoop Sale, so if anyone is interested in baking some cookies, brownies, etc., please let me know.

That's about it. Take care and see you next month.

*Marc*

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# THE TEMPLE FAMILY

## Welcome New Members

- Michael A. Geller and Katsuko Taniguchi
- Jason Rulnick and Anna Kessler

## Get Well Wishes to

Alice Abrash, Helen Doneger, Norma Kimmel, Myrna Kronenthal, Irving Roth, Laura Stackhouse, Doris Stampleman, Marjorie Sussman, Sid Teperman

### EAST END TEMPLE BOOKCLUB

The Book: *The Outside World*  
 The Author: Tova Mirvis  
 The Date: April 26  
 The Place: Call for location 212.477.6444

### THEATRE TUNES...

GLENGARRY GLEN ROSS – 5/11  
 SWEET CHARITY – 6/1



Call the Temple office 212/477-6444 to reserve your ticket today.

### THANK YOU TO OUR MARCH USHERS

Mel Harris, Beth Hermelin, Karen Feuer, Fran & Bobby Kolin, Frances Lee, Paul and Helen Levine, Edna Rosen

### THANK YOU TO OUR MARCH BIMAH GUESTS

Karen Feuer, Julie Livingston, Edna Rosen, Lauren Weinberger

### REMINDER

Have you paid your Temple bill in full yet? Please send your payment to the Temple ASAP.

## GENEROUS BEQUESTS



Two generous bequests to EET were recorded recently. An anonymous donor gave \$15,000 earmarked for people who cannot manage to travel to Temple on their own, or afford an aide to accompany them for the trip. Another bequest was left by Doris Pollack who died at the age of 94 and was a member of the EET Theater Group. She left a bequest of \$20,000 in her will. These are marvelous legacies. If you want to discuss a bequest to the Temple, call Sharon at the office and she will put you in touch with Rich Bengloff, a Board Trustee.

## "CLEANING OUT FOR PASSOVER"

If you are spring-cleaning, please remember that we accept donations of yarn, eye glasses and personal care items as part of our Social Action activities. Members will knit or crochet hats and scarves for the homeless, the glasses will be shipped to an organization that distributes them to the needy and the shampoos will be given to the homeless.

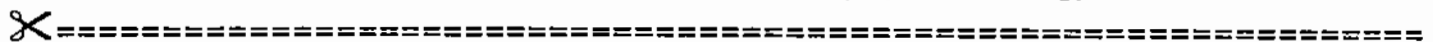
## Email addresses update...

We want to be able to get news out fast and also save mailing costs, so if we don't have your email already would you please send an email to [info@eastendtemple](mailto:info@eastendtemple) and simply say "add me to the EET email distribution list". Thank you

## EET CONGREGATIONAL DINNER FRIDAY, APRIL 15th @ 7:30 PM

With Speaker Ronit Avni. Ronit is the founder and Director of Just Vision, which uses digital media to highlight the efforts of Israeli and Palestinian civilians working for a rights-respecting, lasting peace.

Join the East End Temple community for the entire evening beginning with Shabbat Services @ 6 pm  
**MAKE YOUR DINNER RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 8!**



**East End Temple, 245 East 17th Street, New York, NY 10003**  
 Congregational Dinner and Speaker, Ronit Avni, April 15 @ 7:30 pm

Member Adults & Teens @ \$20 \_\_\_\_\_ Member's Children 6-13 @ \$9 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Non-Member Adults @ \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Member Children 6-13 @ \$12 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children under 6 (No Charge) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in payment for the dinner

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**Our Outstanding Programs**

On Rosh Chodesh Adar, we discussed the Feast of Esther and I had the pleasure of leading this group for the first time. Included in the readings was a modern day midrash from "Biblical Women Unbound; Countertales," written by Norma Rosen. It explored the deeds of both Vashti and Esther in detail and what might have happened years later. A good time was had by all.



Thank you, Edna Rosen, for bringing us Dr. Carol Livoti on March 6th. The morning was a combination of all the questions you've never had the time or courage to ask your own gynecologist and Dr. Livoti's unique brand of humor, expertise and passion for the subject. The response from program participants was so enthusiastic that the idea for a return engagement came up which Dr. Livoti graciously entertained. If you weren't able to attend, I recommend, "Vaginas: An Owner's Manual," by Dr. Carol Livoti and daughter, Elizabeth Topp.

**Sisterhood At- A- Glance**

- Sisterhood Meeting is on Tuesday, April 5th 7:30pm
- Rosh Chodesh Pot Luck Brunch is on Sunday morning, April 10th, 10:30 am - 12 Noon.
- The Women's Annual Pot Luck Seder is on Thursday evening, April 28th, beginning at 6 pm.

The Seder requires reservations and because each of the participants must bring a part of the meal, please call Sharon (212-477-6444) as soon as you know that you will join us. The Seder is always an inspiration and we look forward to seeing our regulars along with the many new faces at EET. There is no charge for this event.

**Additional Programming**

Please be on the lookout for an upcoming Sisterhood mailing. It will provide you with the information you need to offer congratulations and best wishes to East End Temple's Confirmands. The Shavuot and Confirmation Services are on Sunday, June 12th, 6 pm. On this occasion, Sisterhood will present each student with a book of UNIONGRAMS written by YOU. This is a wonderful way to let our young members know how much they mean to the life of our Congregation.

Sisterhood has some additional programming underway, so also be on the lookout for e-mails, snail mail, the Temple website, [www.eastendtemple.org](http://www.eastendtemple.org) and upcoming Templets for more information. It's a busy next couple of months! We look forward to seeing you!

Sister-to-Sister,

*Fern*

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As Passover approaches, I thought this would be a perfect time for all Passover chefs to be aware that our library offers a sizable number of Jewish holiday cookbooks, including at least one on Passover alone. Many others include comprehensive sections with Passover recipes. Come take a look!



A number of congregants have also expressed interest in knowing about the variety of topics covered in our vast collection. Although I have mentioned the numerous areas of interest before, I believe it is worth noting them again. Included in our collection are books covering Jewish life cycle events, such as baby namings, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, and weddings, among others; books on Jewish holidays, on Israel, on the Holocaust, and on the history of Jews in America. There is an impressive collection of books on Jewish spirituality, including the Kabbalah, and a variety of books on women in Judaism. We also have many biographies of Jews in all spheres of life. We have numerous Jewish cookbooks, some of which specialize in Jewish baking, and of course, we offer a wide variety of contemporary fiction and non-fiction. All of our Temple bookclub selections are also available. The richness of our library collection is there for you, as our congregants, to enjoy. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. Happy Passover!

*Barbara*

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**JUDAICA SHOP FINDS** Fran Kolin

Passover is that holiday which is traditionally celebrated at home, yours or someone else's. The Judaica Shop has some nice gift items, for you or your host, like a Salt Water & Horse Radish Set, and beautiful Hand-Painted Silk Matzah Covers. We also have some new ways to keep the kids at the table occupied, with a Magnetic Color-Coded Seder Plate, and a Bendable Matzah Man. Of course, we have some Seder Plates, and some Haggadahs, among other things. If you have something specific in mind, please speak to me about it. See you at The Shop.


*Fran*

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**The Single Members' Chavurah** will meet for dinner one weeknight in April. Details to be announced. Contact Marcy Einhorn for further information: [mhe711@rcn.com](mailto:mhe711@rcn.com)

**Help Mazon with a Passover donation**

This year help MAZON prepare for a *Passover of a future time* when all who are still shackled by the bonds of poverty, hunger and injustice are truly free.



MAZON - A Jewish Response to Hunger  
1950 South Bundy Drive, Suite 270  
Los Angeles, CA 90025  
www.mazon.org

**Ronit Avni**

To speak at Services and Dinner on April 15

Learn about grass-roots cooperation happening every day between Israelis and Palestinians. Hear the optimistic news that doesn't fit into easy sound-bites.

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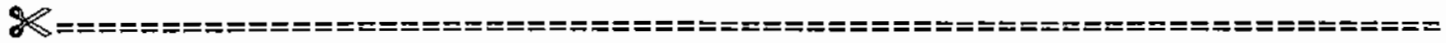
**JOIN A COMMITTEE**

Many members want to get more involved with activities at EET. Whether your talents are creative, financial, educational, organizational or just hands-on, here is the list of active committees in which you can participate. Call Sharon at the EET office (212-477-6444) to get the name and number of the chairperson of the committee. Get involved!

- Youth Education - Religious School, Youth Group, Staff Development
- Finance - Fundraising, Investments, Budget
- Membership - Advertising, Public Relations
- Programming - Adult Education, Caring Community, Social Action, Events
- Ritual - Traditions, worship practices
- House - Facility Maintenance, Ushering
- Strategic Planning - Long-range vision, Nominating, Board Development, Mentoring, By-Laws

**REMINDER**

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Please use this order form to send contributions to any fund(s) you choose. You may use the form below by filling out the information and sending it with your check to the Temple office, attention to the fund chairperson. Please use separate check for each fund.

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## FOOD FOR FAMILIES Marian C. Fish

Our final Food For Families of the 2004-2005 season was a smash hit!! We had the largest number of participants ever and prepared 439 meals, another record. This means over 2,000 meals went to hungry people since October. The March FFF was sponsored by **Babette Hollister** in honor of her new grandson, William, and we received a wonderful donation of food from **Fresh Direct** through the efforts of Lauren Weinberger. Rabbi Adelson and the 7th grade families joined our group of sandwich makers giving us an exciting mix of members. Thanks to: Austin & Peter Tipograph, Dan Diamond, Barbara Katersky & Michael Sturm, Marian & Robert Fish, Suellen, Boris, & Matt Eshed, Babette Hollister, Cynthia & Ron Dubensky, Phil Gollance, Ben & Celia Vimont, Janie & Andrew Listengart, Liz Taub & Danny Warschauer, Sivan, Sharon, Shaul & Saar Shemesh, Ben & Daniel Lavin, Michael Bank, Lori & Alanna Weissman, Edna & Sam Rosen, Lauren Weinberger & Gregg Connuck, Rabbi David Adelson, Evelyn Hendline and Mohammed Hoque.

### FFF Supporters

A special thanks to Florence Peloquin for her unwavering support of the Food For Families program and to the Sisterhood for its commitment to the program. Also, we thank Jessica Brown at City Harvest for working closely with us. We look forward to the 2005-2006 season of Food For Families. We are always looking for new sponsors and even more important, members to join us and spend a few hours performing a mitzvah!!

*Marian*

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## Over 2,000 Meals Made in 2004-05



**Lauren Weinberger, Marian Fish, Cynthia Dubensky and Babette Hollister in their Fresh Direct Caps.**



**Ron Dubensky carrying a tray of sandwiches to the packing station**



**The committee and volunteers**



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- In memory of my parents, Dora and Nathan Markovitz, on their yahrzeits
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Best wishes for a speedy recovery to

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- Remembering the yahrzeit of my brother, Irving Zamsky
- Congratulations and best wishes to Helene and Leonard Spring as you celebrate another and many more anniversaries.

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- Deepest condolences to Sharon Ullman on the death of her father
- With love & admiration for Sara Siegel on Judy's attaining her Ph.D.
- Special thanks to Helen Doneger, June Morse, & Sara Siegel for the work they do to help with the theater mailings for EET

**FOOD FOR FAMILIES**

**Susan & Alison Epstein**

To help feed the hungry

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To the beloved family and friends of my dearest friend, Jeanette Olmsted

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To thank Rabbi Adelson on his participation in the conversion of Robin, our second son

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To thank our Temple Family for their good wishes and concern during Irving's recent surgery

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**WEBSITE NEWS**

Many people have been telling me that they have been using our website, and that they find it helpful. Some Temple members have been telling me the features they have found most useful. The "Upcoming Events" box seems to be a favorite, and people also seem to enjoy the "Virtual Tour" and "Photo Album." A new feature added this month is a box about the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Honor Award, bestowed in recognition of the interior of our new building. Now, anyone who looks at our website can also read about this outstanding, impressive honor.

I found another feature helpful last month. I wanted to check when Passover starts, so I clicked on "Calendar" and I found that April 24th is the first day of Passover, and the first seder is on the evening of April 23rd. Joyously delighted that I could easily check for holiday dates, I clicked on "Calendar" again, to find out when Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will be this year. (We're always wondering if the holidays are "early" or "late," so checking ahead was a "natural" curiosity.) If you want to check the dates of holidays, the "Calendar" is a useful (and fun) feature.

*Ellen Ettinger*



## Bobby Kolin: The Go-To Guy

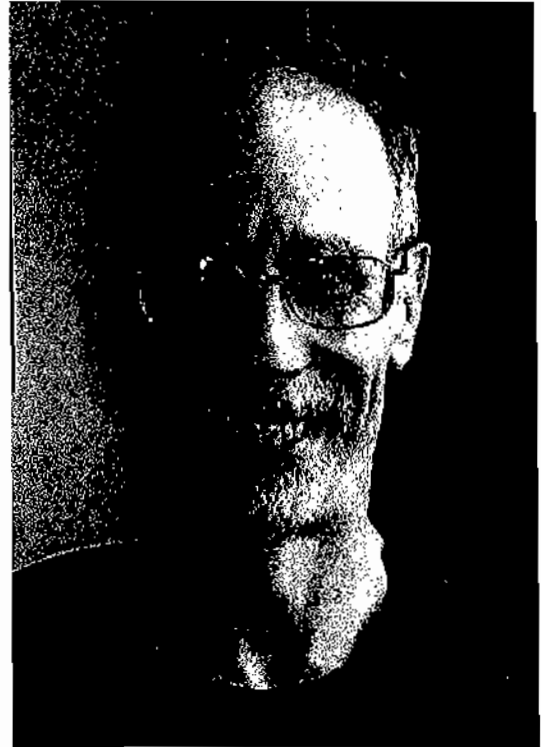
Bobby never merely walks into EET. He checks its vital signs and intrinsically feels its needs. Anything out of order gets exploration. If he's driving by the Temple on a Sunday night and notices the lights on, he stops by to see who's inside. If the Temple's alarm should go off in the middle of the night, Bobby gets the call. Twenty years ago, when Bobby and his wife Fran were very new to EET (then located at Second Avenue and 23rd Street), a power failure threatened to halt a special, "Jews in China" Shabbat service. Bobby figured out how to solve the problem. He rigged up an alternate lighting arrangement allowing the program to continue and enabling 100-plus congregants to enjoy a sweet Oneg Shabbat. Today, Bobby maintains EET's building supplies, archives and basement work-station. He is the key go-to-guy when it comes to transforming the New York University Dental School auditorium into the EET High Holiday sanctuary and also to providing a quick mechanical fix during Temple services. According to Rabbi Adelson, "the congregation breathes a collective sigh of relief whenever Bobby is in the house".

### Strong Technical Background

The flashpoint for Bobby's formal education in repair and construction was garnering a coveted Electrician's Union application. After growing up in Stuyvesant Town, attending local public schools and completing several engineering courses at New York City Community College, Bobby handily passed the electrical union's stringent qualifying exams. A five-year apprenticeship earned him a Journeyman Electrician's certification and then work on the lighting and security systems at the World Trade Center, Brooklyn College, City Bank and several New York City hospitals. It was Bobby's stint at The New York University Dental School that inspired EET's High Holiday relationship with the Dental School, in conjunction with Mel Schweitzer. In 1979, Bobby and a first cousin branched out on their own as gaffers (lighting technicians) serving film and TV commercial producers. Subsequently, a floundering business climate took its toll on the availability of electrical jobs and drove the ever-resourceful Bobby to rebuild his family's third-generation window-cleaning business.

### The Kolins

Judging by the trajectories of Bobby's accomplished offspring, EET is not alone in benefiting from Bobby's hands-on, do-it-yourself pragmatism. Thanks to Bobby and Fran Kolin's total-immersion theory of child rearing, Ben, a Yahoo software engineer and Stephanie, a fourth-year Hebrew Union College Rabbinical student,



**Bobby Kolin**

experienced life firsthand. During Ben and Stephanie's years attending public and EET religious schools, Bobby and Fran partnered as PS 40 Parents Association members and EET activists. Bobby has served as President of the (now dormant) EET Men's Club, on the EET Board of Trustees and as the designated driver for EET Religious School outings. Stephanie's passion for spiritual leadership was rooted in the Kolin family's regular attendance at EET Shabbat services (then led by Rabbi Deborah Hirsch) and their annual Camp Eisner family weekends. Yes, Bobby has never met a repair that he didn't want to tackle, but the go-to-guy goes to son Ben when it comes to reconfiguring the home computer.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>3</b> 10:30 AM Chevrat Nashim Daylight Saving Begins	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 4:00 PM Religious School 6:00 PM Exec Meeting 7:30 PM Sisterhood Mtg	<b>6</b> 4:00 PM Religious School	<b>7</b> 4:00 PM Religious School 5:30 PM Confr. Class/Purim	<b>1</b> 6:00 PM Shabbat Services 7:30 PM 6th & 7th grade Dinner	<b>2</b> 7:30 PM Gala Musicales & Reception <i>Torah Portion: Shemini Lev. 9:1-11:47</i>
<b>10</b> 10:30 AM Chevrat Nashim 10:30 AM Rosh Chodesh	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 4:00 PM Religious School	<b>13</b> 4:00 PM Religious School 6:30 PM Adult Ed: The Sabbath	<b>14</b> 4:00 PM Religious School 5:30 PM 7th class/dinner	<b>15</b> 6:00 PM Shabbat Services 7:30 PM Congregational Dinner w/Speaker, Ronit Avni	<b>16</b> 10:00 AM Bar Mitzvah of John Connuck <i>Torah Portion: Metzora Lev. 14:1-15:33</i>
<b>17</b> 10:30 AM Chevrat Nashim 2:30 PM Family Ed - Passover Program	<b>18</b> May Temple Closing Date	<b>19</b> 4:00 PM Religious School 7:00 PM YEC Meeting	<b>20</b> 4:00 PM Religious School 6:30 PM Adult Ed: The Sabbath	<b>21</b> 4:00 PM Religious School 5:30 PM Confr. Class/Purim	<b>22</b> 6:00 PM Family Services 7:30 PM Shabbat Services	<b>23</b> Erev Pesach <i>Torah Portion: Achare Mot Lev. 16:1-18:30</i>
<b>24</b> 10:30 AM Chevrat Nashim	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 7:30 PM Book Club	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:00 PM Women's Seder	<b>29</b> 6:00 PM Shabbat Services	<b>30</b> 10:00 AM Pesach & Yizkor Services <i>Torah Portion: Exod 14:30-15:21</i>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Spring Recess</div>						